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We're overloaded—fairly smothered—with clothing, because the weather has not kept its dates. We've too much, too much, too much! If a farmer keeps his hens till they're old he can't sell them. If a fruit dealer keeps his bananas till they're rotten he can't sell them. IF WE KEEP OUR STOCK TILL IT'S OUT OF STYLE WE'LL LOSE OUR TRADE. The situation is critical, but we are equal to it. Right now the fun begins, and lasts until Feb. 1st. A circus for close buyers; a picnic for those who have waited for the "mark down" time. A good time for those to buy whose means are limited. We take no heed or thought of profit, real worth or anything else, except our firm resolve to reduce our stock to proper limits. Take our advice, as you have taken it before—take it because you have always found it good.

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ATTRACTIVE LIVING ROOMS.

Simplicity in decoration of greatest importance.

The name of "living room" has been given to the main room of the house, which in many houses now takes the place of parlor and sitting-room. Here guests are received, and the family makes this the gathering place around the evening lamp. This room should be the most cheerful, most attractive, of all the rooms in the house. The vast number of housekeepers complain that they have not been able to choose their belongings. The useful is all they can hope for. The beautiful is beyond the limit of their purses. This is because they confound beauty with luxury. The most luxurious and costly drawing-rooms are often the most hideous. The man or woman of taste will turn with relief from such a display of gaudy and vulgar decoration to the simplest room in a seaside cottage, with no other decoration than the natural shells and spoils of the waves, and a fisherman's net, grown gray and picturesque with years of use. Cultivated taste is rare, but good, natural taste is not uncommon. Savages usually possess a natural instinct in the proper use of color which is in perfect harmony with the teaching of art.

The greatest obstacle the average housewife meets in her desire to have her rooms beautiful is not lack of materials or lack of taste, but the fact that she is hampered by certain conventional ideas. There must be "vases on the mantel." The rug carpet is "not good enough for the living-room because every one now has a tapestry carpet with gay flowers upon it." Ten chances to one, if the two carpets were laid side by side in the shop, at the same price, and there was no acquired prejudice against the rug carpet, it would be chosen, because it usually is so much more harmonious in color. Of course, we can have ugly rug carpets, but it is far more trouble to make an ugly rug carpet than a harmonious one in simple hit-and-miss fashion. It is not the furniture of plain rooms that often gives them a bizarre and staring effect, but the arrangement of color.

One of the principal things to remember in decoration is that simplicity is of the greatest importance. It is far better to have no pictures on the walls than gaudy ones, in consequence. Color had better be introduced in draperies, upholstery, in bits of china, and in natural leaves and other objects. Another thing to remember is that two strong colors should never be used in one room, nor should a strong, intense color be used with gold. Strong colors must always be used sparingly, to accent less obtrusive tints and shades. Sage-greens and olive-greens look well with maroon, with tawny pinks and with dull yellow. A living-room should certainly be unobtrusive in colors, but cheerful. The colors should be such as will look well under twilight. It only requires a little care and trouble to accomplish this. A bit-or-miss rug, knit of travelled rags of old silk, ribbons, neckties and everything in silk or in silk and wool that can be used for the purpose, is very useful. It can be used as a "throw" to cover a lounge of gaudy, objectionable color, or as a hanging. Denim is now found in all colors. It is strong enough for upholstery, or even for floor covering, when the center of the room is protected by a heavy rug. It costs from 12½ to 25 cents a yard. Avoid all obtrusive forms and patterns as well as colors in decoration. A simple, plain lounge, piled with pillows, is more elegant and looks better than the most elaborate sofa framed in carved or gilded wood. Avoid the high-colored hints now offered for sale. There are cotton cloths in the dark, subdued colors of the English art decorations which make the most attractive upholstery and hangings, but they are not especially expensive. —N. Y. Tribune.

Standing with cards in Mackinac on Monday night, was interrupted by an unknown person throwing a ball through a pane of the door.

ELECTRIC STROKE.

It Affects Workmen at Dora Pierce San Head.

One of the most extraordinary modern diseases is a peculiar affection, most aptly termed electric stroke, which not infrequently befalls workmen employed in melting metals by means of electricity. It appears from observations made at the great steel and iron works at Cruzol, says the Boston Journal, that the intense voltage are between the carbon and the metal to be melted emits rays which, even at the distance of ten meters, produce a painful, hot, pricking sensation, like that of a burn, on such uncovered portions of the body as the throat, face, and more especially the forehead.

The skin of the parts affected becomes either copper-colored or assumes a bronze hue; the eyes, in spite of black glasses, are so intensely dazzled as to be useless for some minutes, after which nystagmus (yellow vision) sets in, everything appearing saffron-colored, the conjunctive are inflamed, and there is a gritty feeling, as of sand under the eyelids. There is frequently great pain, accompanied often by sleeplessness, and in some instances fever.

After a few days these symptoms subside and the skin of the affected parts peels and the patient is restored to health.

Now, the remarkable thing about all this is that very little heat is radiated from the electric arc used; all the trouble arises from the light rays, and although it has not yet been experimentally proved, there can be little doubt that the blue and violet—that is, the chemical rays—are to blame.

UNIVERSAL COLLECTING MANIA.

Head of the House at Last Succumbs to the Disease.

"For heaven's sake," he cried, relates the Chicago Times-Herald, "I never saw anything like this collecting mania."

"It's a very instructive amusement," "Yes, maybe, but not for me. There's my daughter Agnes, she's collecting buttons and asks me every day to go around to the headquarters to get her some, and I must buy of every street fakir I pass or she doesn't like it. There's my daughter Lucy, she goes over all of my letters and cuts off the monograms, destroying them. I don't like her to do it, but I can't stop it. She says some infernal nonsense about it being 'all the rage.' Then my son Tom is just as bad. He asks me for postage stamps and cuts them off the letters before I read them in the morning. And they are always having something new to collect. Every member of my family is a collector."

"How about your wife?" "Oh, she's worse than any of them. She says she is collecting coins and makes it an excuse for going through my pockets every time. She calls it being a numismatist. I think it should be called kleptomaniac. Just then a man with a bill entered the office.

"I am," he began, "a collector for—"

"Confound you, then, get," cried the infuriated man; "I am a collector myself. I am trying to collect your senses."

While T. J. Molvin of Waynesville, was loading logs he undertook to carry a disabled one on his shoulder when he slipped and fell and was unable to rise for some time, until a friend came to his relief. He was not seriously injured but very much "overcome."

PROVES TO BE A PUG.

Polite Girl Gives Up Her Seat to a Supposedly Baby-Laden Woman.

The in-bound Clark street cable train was crowded. Every seat was taken, and many men were compelled to stand, when at one of the crossings a lady entered the car bearing in her arms a burden of her special care and attention. Wrapped in a soft warm shawl she carefully carried it, protected and safe from the raw, chilly air. Although restless and moving its tiny head from side to side, she watchfully held the shawl over its head. She walked to the center of the car, and, seeing no vacant seat, took one of the straps. The men kept industriously reading their papers, says the Chicago Chronicle.

"These gentlemen can keep their seats," said a young woman as she arose and proffered her seat to the woman with the burden. The car gave a sudden lurch forward as the woman accepted the offered seat with a "Thank you," the shawl became loosened, and, eluding her grasp, the little object freed itself from the folds.

The men flattered at the polite young woman, looking around for the cause of the unwelcome mirth. Leheld on the woman's lap, not a baby as she supposed, but a very frisky and bright-eyed pug dog.

WHAT TO SAY.

A List of Remarks to Make About the New Baby.

One is always expected to say something when looking for the first time on a new baby, says the Cincinnati Enquirer, and as it is neither kind nor safe to tell the truth and say that the little red, pudgy creature doesn't look like anything, we give a list of unpatented and uncopyrighted remarks to be used on such occasions:

"Isn't he sweet? He looks like you!"

"I think he's going to look like his father!"

"Haven't he dear little fingers? Do let me see his dear little toes!"

"Isn't he large?"

"Isn't he a tiny darling?"

"How bright he seems!"

"Did you ever see such a sweet little mouth?"

"Isn't he just too sweet for anything?"

"The dear little darling! I never saw so young a baby look so intelligent!"

"Do, please, let me hold him just a minute!"

Any and all of these remarks are warranted to give satisfaction, just as they have been giving satisfaction from time immemorial until the present day.

Original Languages of Europe.

It is said by philologists that there are 13 original European languages: the Greek, Latin, German, Slavonic, Welsh, Biscayan, Irish, Albanian, Tartarian, Illyrian, Jazygian, Chaucin and Fianle.

Yes, "tis true; Foley's Honey and Tar is the best Cough Medicine.

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The Ford county farmers' institute will be held in Sibley Jan. 21 and 22, with an extensive and interesting program.

Foley's Honey and Tar Cough Syrup wherever introduced is considered the most pleasant and effective remedy for all throat and lung complaints. It is the only prominent cough medicine that contains no opiates and that can safely be given to children.

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A man was on the streets of Arcola Wednesday peddling opiumums for which he found a ready sale at 40 cents apiece.

TO BUY THE POPE A CITY.

Constantinople, More Than Rome, Is Likely to Be Purchased.

It is suggested that the Roman Catholics of Christendom shall subscribe \$1,000,000,000 to buy Rome and a nearby seaport for the pope, says Harper's Weekly. The belief is expressed that the Italian government might sell the property without serious detriment to its political integrity and that the money could be used to great advantage in relieving Italy of part of the burden of her public debt. It is not proposed to turn over the principal to the vendors, but to place it in trust and to pay its annual proceeds into the Italian treasury as long as the pope remains undisturbed in the papal territory.

The plan is a very pretty one and there are those who think the money might be raised and that King Humbert's government would appreciate the advantages of such a bargain. But would Rome be the best purchase the pope could make with the money? Chicago would take him vastly cheaper and give him port privileges on Lake Michigan, but she could not engage to make him monarch of an American township at any price. But there is Constantinople, an excellent city, where popes have lived before, full of ready-made churches built by Christians and nearly ripe now for reconsecration. Constantinople seems liable to come into the market any day. If the pope could buy it of the sultan that would be a deal worth subscribing to and worth turning a page of history to record.

SCIENTIFIC REASON GIVEN.

Why the Eyes of a Painted Portrait Follow the Observer.

Wollaston's curious discovery was that by adding to each pair of eyes a nose directed to the right or the left, the eyes lose their front direction, and look to the right or left, according to the direction of the nose. By means of a flap representing the lower features in a different position, as Dr. Wollaston remarks, "a lost look of devout abstraction in an uplifted countenance of inquisitive archness in the leer of a younger face turned downward and obliquely toward the opposite side."

As by changing the direction of the lower features we change the direction of the eyes, says Notes and Queries, so by changing our position, the eye of the portrait apparently follows us. If a vertical line be drawn through the tip of the nose and half way between the eyes, there will be the same breadth of head, of cheek, of chin and of neck on each side of this middle line, and each iris will be in the middle of the whole eye. If we now move to one side, the apparent horizontal breadth of every part of the head and face will be diminished, but the parts on each side of the middle line will be diminished equally, and at any position, however oblique, there will be the same breadth of face on each side of the middle line, and the iris will be in the center of the whole of the eyeball, so that, being on a flat surface, the iris will be seen in front of the picture or obliquely.

About the Eye.

For people with sore eyes, weak, watery eyes, and red and inflamed eyes, caused by age, catarrh or other rise, the Brazilian Balm is a priceless boon. Put 15 or 20 drops of Balm into a spoonful of warm water and bathe the eyes well night and morning, getting some of the solution into the eyes. The relief and benefit is worth a hundred times the cost.

For sale by Armstrong Bros., Druggists

The Ford county supervisors are about to purchase seventy-six acres a mile north of Gibson of J. C. Steers for a poor farm, at a price of \$75 an acre.

Lower—A dear little child who made home happy by its smiles. And to think, it might have been saved had the parents only kept in the house One Minute Cough Cure, the infallible remedy for croup. A. J. Stoner & Son and Armstrong Bros.

GREAT PHENOMENON.

Daily Journey of the Sun Puzzled the Ancients—Many Erroneous Theories.

Strange as it may seem in this day and age, the rising and setting of the sun was the greatest of natural phenomena to the ancient scholars. They were greatly puzzled to know how the same sun which plunged into the ocean at a fabulous distance in the west could reappear the next morning at an equally great distance in the east. And, as Sir Robert Ball points out, a number of remarkable theories were advanced, and every one of them wrong. "The old mythology asserted that after the sun had dipped in the western ocean at sunset (the Iberians and other ancient nations actually imagined that they could hear the hissing of the waters when the glowing globe was plunged therein) he was seized by Vulcan and placed in a golden goblet. This strange craft with its astonishing cargo navigated the ocean by a northerly course, so as to reach the east again in time for sunrise the following morning. Among the more sober physicians of old, as we are told by Aristotle, it was believed that in some manner the sun was conveyed by night across the northern regions, and that darkness was due to lofty mountains, which screened off the sunbeams during the voyage." Another theory was that the sun actually pursued his course below the solid earth during the darkness of night, and philosophers taught the same about the stars that rise and set. These are but samples of many a theory that might be named with regard to the phenomenon of sunrise and sunset.

TEACHERS IN CAMBODIA.

A Spiritual Bond Between Them and Their Pupils.

All children who present themselves at the seat for study are received. It is not even required that their parents bring them or send them, says Pajmag Science Monthly. The newcomer chooses his professor, and, if accepted, begins at once to study under his direction, installs himself in his cell or in the school hall, and becomes his servant. If the professor has already too many pupils, he refuses the new pupil and advises him to choose another teacher; sometimes he guides his choice, directing him to a master who has few or no pupils, or takes him to the superior who will select a teacher for him. The choice of a professor is always a grave affair, because it is held in Cambodia, as in all Buddhist and Brahminic countries, that professor and pupil are bound by strong ties of spiritual affinity, and that the pupil ought to respect his master as he does his father and mother. The law inflicts the same penalty upon an offense of the pupil against his master as an offense by a son against his father and mother and it prescribes that in certain cases the pupil may be heir of his professor when he has served him or supported him or served him when studying under his direction; not only a family bond but a religious bond, too, is established between them, for the professor makes it his business to teach his pupil the course by which he may earn more advantageous reincarnation and reach the Nirvana, and becomes his spiritual guide.

Diagnosis of Grippe.

True grippe is a germ disease. These germs are in the circulation and pervade every tissue and organ of the body. This brings speedy collapse and often death to the aged and debilitated. The only germicide known that searches out and destroys every grippe germ in the system is Brazilian Balm. A week or ten days' treatment effects a complete cure.

For sale by Armstrong Bros., Druggists

The McKinley club of Atlanta went to Tanner's inauguration in a body and took part in the parade.

A weed in the garden can be easily destroyed when it first starts. Consumption can be nipped in the bud by One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Stoner & Son and Armstrong Bros.

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Tuesday Evening, Jan. 12.

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MANAGEMENT S. T. KING,
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60--People on the Stage--60

PRICES—25c, 50c, 75c AND \$1.00

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Sale of seats will commence Tuesday morning, Jan. 12, at the Opera House Drug Store.

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For January, 1897.

Large line of extra good styles in Dress Goods, Novelties, plain rich Serges, choice Plaids, and the best stock of Black Brilliants, plain and fancy, all new and up to date, at 25c, 30c, 40c, 50c, 60c, 75c and \$1.00, guaranteed to be fully 15 to 33½ per cent below any and all competition.

Ten handsome Fur Capes, 30 inches long, 125 sweep, worth up to \$45. Come and get them at manufacturer's cost.

Any Bonnet or Hat in our Millinery Department, trimmed or to order at net cost.

Flowers, Ties, Tams, Caps and Fascinators; Infants' and Children's Hoods, etc., etc., all go at cost.

We certainly will save you big money. We emphasize the fact, you can't afford to miss this sale.

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DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

The firm of Akers, Sanford & Co. has today been dissolved. F. Sanford retiring. C. F. Akers and A. G. Wilson will continue the business. They will recall all bills and collect all accounts due the old firm.

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New Styles of Fancy Front Shirts at \$1.00

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One case of Tan Fleece Underwear at 33c Regular 50c quality.

One lot of Linen Collars at.....5c

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MASONIC TEMPLE

For January.



We realize that at this season of the year only such furniture as is actually needed will be sold. We have a complete line of low and medium priced staples on our floor and are in position to sell you anything you need from a chair to a cook stove at prices that will interest you. Special attention given to complete outfits. All goods sold to parties outside of the city carefully packed and delivered.

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WEDDING RINGS! WEDDING PRESENTS!

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DECATUR, ILL.

LOCAL NEWS.

Don't forget eloquentary entertainment at the Baptist church Tuesday night.

Irwin's rock balsam is a positive cure for coughs and colds.

Little Diana cigar: business men's ideal smoke; 5 for 10 cents; 100 for \$1.50. L. Chodak's News House.—14-dtf

The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Weigand are the best in town. mob 25-dtf

The old reliable K & W cigars are made by John Weigand. Mob 25-dtf.

Della Fox tomorrow night in "Fleur de Lis."

Cutanda, the leading live-oat cigar, sold only at Irwin's drug store.

Tender roast beef with brown gravy served at noon daily at Singleton's restaurant.—Oct2dtf

Crosthwaite eloquentary entertainment at the Baptist church Tuesday night.

Dr. C. U. Smith, dentist, has removed from the Arcade to the Pasfield building, 224 North Main street.—6-dtf

During the holidays and since the C. B. Prescott music house have sold a large number of pianos, including the Hupke and other standard instruments. All went at low figures and on easy terms.

Gentlemen's soiled and faded overcoats or suit of clothes dyed, cleaned, pressed and repaired. Take your clothes to first-class dyers and cleaners—to Miller's Steam Dye House, 145 North Main street.

On Jan. 19 Howard M. Onyett and Miss Allie Schenck will be married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Schenck, at 1916 North Edward street.

Chicago, Pa., "Herald:" Richard Vessel reports One Minute Cough Cure the greatest success of medical science. He told us that it cured his whole family of terrible coughs and colds. After all other so called cures had failed entirely. Mr. Vessel said it assisted his children through a very bad siege of measles. One Minute Cough Cure makes expectation very easy and rapid. A. J. Sturtevant and Son and Armstrong Bros.

No better soft coal in this market than Lincoln or Riverton. Lincoln is the hardest of any coal within 100 miles of Decatur and the harder the coal the longer it will burn. Hard coal all sizes, always in stock at market price. Up town office, Irwin's drug store, office and yard 808 North Broadway, old phone 133, new phone 435. M. F. Metz.—91-dtf

Saturday night Miss Fay Wilkoff was very pleasantly surprised at her home, 507 North Monroe street, by a number of her schoolmates and friends. The names of those present were: Vallie Shaffer, Katie Rawley, Ethel Burke, Lillie Montgomery, Corolla Wilson, John Wilkoff, Lillie Trainer, Dana Hunt, Fay Wilkoff, Bronnie Wilcox, Carlton and Collier Calhoun, Charles Wood, Roy Gland, Clifford Wilkoff, Brian Wilkoff. Light refreshments were served during the evening.

We have reduced the price of coke to \$1 per ton crushed to size suitable for hard coal base burners and to \$3.50 per ton for uncrushed, delivered to any part of the city. In lots of less than one half ton 10c per bushel will be charged. One ton of coke will burn 25 per cent longer than one ton of hard coal—hence it can be used at half the expense its use in furnaces does away with the annoyance of gas and smoke attendant on the use of soft coal. Our coke is made from Pennsylvania coal. Decatur Gas Light and Coke Co., telephone 137 or 54.—8-dtf

The members of the Sunday school union are at work making a house to house canvass to ascertain the number of persons in each family who attend Sunday schools. The families are classified according to the church they belong to and the figures are furnished to the pastors so that they will know the persons in each family who do or do not attend church. For those who are unable to go to Sunday school a home school is being established. The lesson are furnished the people and are studied at home each week.

Left the Poor Farm, Doranda, the man who was injured on the railroad at the time when Mrs. Thompson was killed, and who has been at the poor farm since last September, was sent to St. Louis today. His injuries were severe and it took a long time for him to recover sufficiently to be moved.

At the Lion store, Over \$10,000 worth of dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes, ladies' and gents' furnishings, tapes and jackets to be given away to the public at their own price. Sale will start Saturday morning. Lion Store, corner Water and Eldorado street, Decatur, Ill.—8-dtf

Death of an Infant.
The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. H. Chapman, living on Traver street, died Sunday, Jan 10. The funeral will be held this afternoon from the residence and the burial will be at Greenwood cemetery.

Good Bread

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HINKLE'S BEST... FLOUR
Will make Whiter and Better Bread than any flour made. Try one sack. Ask your groceryman for it, or call up 550 and we will send you a sack of the best quick.

HOME FOR THE "KELLY."

Patrol Wagon Shelter and Stable Ordered Built.

Saturday night the members of the purchasing committee of the city council met for the purpose of opening the bids offered for the construction of the house for the police patrol wagon and team. Aldermen Hankins, Ahrens, Johnson, Thayer and Mathias were present. Alderman Hill was absent. There were sixteen bids considered. It was found that the lowest were the bids of Robert Bolze, who offered to do the carpenter work for \$148, and R. M. Tolladay, who offered to do the brick work for \$268. Each man will furnish all the material needed in his work except some of the hardware. That the committee will buy. It will also furnish the little plumbing that is to be done. This will make the total cost of the house about \$400. The house will be 52-19 feet in size. It will be one story high. There will be a concrete floor. The room for the horses and wagon will be in front, just off of Water street, and back of it will be a small room for feed and for the driver to stay in while waiting for calls.

The house will be put on the lot leased by the committee some time ago, just south of the Advance Thresher company building, at \$25 a year. It is just across the street from police headquarters and is in the most convenient location possible. The city will have to build only the south, east and west walls, the house adjoining the thresher building on the north.

It is expected that work on the building will begin by Tuesday of this week and the house will be done within ten days. Then the patrol horses and wagon will not have to stand out in the weather or be kept in a stable two blocks away. This lack of a house in which to keep the wagon and team has interfered with the usefulness of the outfit.

WENT TO SPRINGFIELD.

Members of the Cook County Marching Club Passed Through Decatur This Morning to See the Inauguration.

About 350 members of the Cook county Republican marching club passed through Decatur this morning on their way to Springfield where they will attend the inauguration today. They were on a special train and had with them the First Regiment band of seventy-five men. The train stopped in this city about twenty minutes. The members of the party took breakfast at the Central hotel, and left for Springfield at 7:30 o'clock. The officers of the marching club in charge were D. Patton, president; Captain Knack, marshal; E. T. Turner, secretary.

About one hundred persons went from Decatur this morning on the regular train. The members of C. H. I. N. G. went in full force under the command of Captain Cassell. Among those from this city who are in Springfield are Frank Reinhardt and family, Mrs. H. Moriwether and daughter, W. H. Starr, Dr. Benjamin Brown, William Dodson, M. E. Metz and wife, Arthur Gallagher, W. C. Burley, John Waggy, Jack Myers, Fred Ferguson and Ben Morgan.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

New Books Ready for Distribution Tuesday, Jan. 12.

American Conference on International Arbitration, 1st

Rings—A Rebellious Heroine.

Quoted—Memoirs of an Artist.

Kipling—The Seven Seas.

Mitchell—That First Affair.

Moulton—Judges, (modern reader's bible)

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Lincoln—A Genuine Girl.

Paul—In the First Person.

Rand, McNally & Co.—Universal Atlas of the World, ref.

Saunders—Beautiful Joe.

Skinner—Myths and Legends of Our Own Land, 2 vols.

Symonds—Life of Benvenuto Cellini.

Webb—Incidents in Life of Rev. E. Kincaid.

Whitney—Friendly Letters to Girl Friends.

In Convent Dress.
Last opportunity to hear Margaret L. Shepherd on Tuesday afternoon and evening, Jan. 12, in the Christian tabernacle. Afternoon lecture at 2:30 for ladies only. Subject, "The Nuns Who Are the Brides of Christ and Substitution for Marriage in the Nunery." Evening lecture at 8, for the general public. Subject, "Three Years' Personal Experience in a Nunery." Admission 15 cents.—9-dtf

Sunday Morning Fire.
Just before 7 o'clock Sunday morning the fire department had a long run to the house in the 3000 block on North Water street. The flames were coming through the roof of a dwelling owned by Mrs. J. M. Maris and occupied by a butcher and his family. A defective flue caused the fire. The damage was about \$100, covered by insurance.

At the Lion store, Over \$10,000 worth of dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes, ladies' and gents' furnishings, tapes and jackets to be given away to the public at their own price. Sale will start Saturday morning. Lion Store, corner Water and Eldorado street, Decatur, Ill.—8-dtf

Sad Affair at Bethany.

Mrs. J. C. Harrison died at Bethany Saturday afternoon, as the result of a shocking accident. The lady was in the house alone. Her son, Alva, aged 15, had gone out in the yard and looking toward the house saw smoke. He gave the alarm and ran in with a neighbor, Norman Farr, and found Mrs. Harrison lying upon the stove with her clothing almost burned off. They carried her out the door, and extinguished the "fire" in the cloths stall on her. Her legs, feet, hands and arms were badly burned and the flesh on her body was burned to a crisp in some places. Owing to her condition she was unable to talk, and could not tell how it occurred. Drs. McMenamy and Vadakin attended her and relieved her suffering as much as possible but were unable to save her life. Mrs. H. was a paralytic and it is supposed she received another stroke and fell on the stove.

Going to the State Convention.

This afternoon C. W. Devere, fire chief, W. W. Foster, Charles W. Barkman, state secretary, and other citizens, left for East St. Louis to attend the annual convention of the Illinois State Firemen's association. The Decatur delegates were joined by a large detachment from Clinton and the northern part of the state. Fire Commissioner Anthony and Dodson will also attend the convention. There will be some radical changes in the constitution affecting the selection of the place for holding the annual tournaments. The rule now is that the tournaments can be held at any given city only once in five years, but it is also provided that the city offering the highest premium shall be awarded the tournament. The two sections of the constitution are contradictory. It is proposed to knock out the five year section. Decatur does not want the tournament for '97. She may want it next year. The tournament held at Naperville last summer was a dead loss of \$3000.



Della Fox in "Fleur de Lis" at the Grand Tuesday night.

VIOLIN RECITAL

Prof. Soltan Presents the Jacksonville People

The chapel of Illinois Female college was completely filled yesterday morning at 9 o'clock by lovers of music gathered to hear Prof. Otto Soltan, the new instructor of the violin. In the College of Music and everyone present was enthusiastic over the programme played. But a word about the performer. He is a native of Germany and was highly educated there being under the care of the best teachers. He studied the violin under Prof. Leonhard Wolff and Concert Master De Ahum at Berlin.

In his concerts, both in America and Europe, Soltan has established a most enviable reputation as being one of the greatest virtuosos of the present day.

In 1880 he made a concert tour through Germany and played before many crowded halls at their castles, receiving the greatest honors. In 1885 he was appointed concert master and solo violinist at Frankfurt-on-the-Main, Germany, and is indeed an artist of world-wide fame.

Yesterday he convinced Jacksonville people of his ability, as each number was brilliantly rendered. This was the program and in it will be noticed some of the musician's own compositions. The last few selections were given especially for the children of his primary department.

Concerto Militaire—Berliot.
Romanza—Soltan.
Coner Conteste—Soltan.
Mocking Bird with variations—Soltan.
Carnival of Venice—Soltan.
Church choir, "Nearer My God to I be"—Soltan.
A musical authority in speaking of Prof. Soltan said recently "In his playing Soltan combines the broad style of Wilhelmj with the elegance of Wieniawsky and the enchanting sweetness of Ole Bull. As a composer he must be ranked high as his compositions indicate the genius of a master—Jacksonville Journal, Saturday

FUNERAL OF GRANDPA SNYDER

Sketch of the Life of One of the Pioneers of Central Illinois.

The funeral of the late William M. Snyder took place today from the family home at Arcola, Rev. Dr. Collins officiating. Grandpa Snyder was a brother of Mrs. E. McClellan, of Decatur, and was in the 88th year of his age. Mr. Snyder was born Dec. 3, 1809, in Orange county, Virginia, died Jan. 8, he had been a resident of the state sixty-five years; his parents came to Moultrie county, in November, 1831. There was no home then from Okaw timber north for eighteen miles, his father located on 800 acres of land on what is known as the Little Okaw river. At that time the prairie grass was as high as a man's head on the back of a horse. Deer, turkey, wolves, etc., were abundance and much amusement was afforded the early settlers in hunting. Mr. S. says he has killed forty five wolves in one season. Sheep were raised in abundance then, but it was necessary to pen them or watch them after nightfall. On coming from Kentucky they brought a considerable drove of cattle. The first winter they lost more than fifty, and later all told they lost more than 100 head from bloody murrain. He continued on the farm until 1875. In 1836 he moved to Edgar county, and continued on the farm until 1875. In 1836 he moved to Edgar county, and continued there until 1875 when he moved to Arcola. He began farming for himself at the age of 25 years. He was married in 1836 to Susan E. Rudy of Kentucky. They have eight children, six of whom are now living and doing well. Both parents are members of the Christian church. Mr. Snyder's mother was one of seven who started the Christian church in Lovington neighborhood. The seven have all passed away, but the church still stands a monument of their good deeds. Mr. Snyder served three months in the Black Hawk war. On coming from Kentucky they were in a large covered wagon drawn by eight oxen. On coming to the Embarras river it was so swollen as to make dangerous the task of fording it. The men took the bedcord and tied it to the yoke of the lead oxen, then getting into a skiff they rowed to the other side of the river. They then tied the bed of the wagon to the running gear, and the team was started and guided by the men on the bank with the bedcord. They landed on the other side safely. The Okaw was crossed in the same manner. Mr. Snyder raised his family in Edgar county. While there he lost a son and a daughter, both dying with the group. He served as sheriff of that county one term. He was never served but once and that was on a security debt. On that occasion our martyred president was his lawyer. He entered land in abut at 1840 at \$1.35 per acre. He sold the same land in 1882 at \$50 per acre. In that body of land there were 800 acres.

THE SACRED CONCERT.

Entertainment Given Last Evening by the Goodman's Band at the Opera House.

The Goodman's orchestra gave a Sunday night sacred concert last evening at the opera house. The entertainment was of a high order but the attendance was not large. Some excellent selections were given by the orchestra under the leadership of Prof. Walter Vocal solos were rendered by George Dunston and Miss Mae Harwood and the mandolin club were on the program for two numbers.

The program rendered was as follows:
Goodman's Orchestra
No. 1 Overture, "The Golden Gate," Bach
No. 2 - Love's Young Dream, 1st. Puerner
My Dreams - Tosti
Mr. Geo. Dunston
Mandolin Club No. 1 Chimes of Normandy
No. 2 Battle of Love
Orchestra
No. 3 Selection from the Orah by Tobani Op. 341.
No. 4 Descriptive Paraphrase, "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep" Lovenbery
Dramatic episodes of life at sea, as follows:
Introductory, Barcarole, Gliding Over the Sea, Sailor Song, Sailors' Hornpipe, In the Cabin, the Storm, Trayer, Battle Encounter between a French and an English Ship.
The Valley of Shadows
Bart
Miss Mae Harwood,
Mandolin Club. The Belle of Cleveland
The Turkey Song,
Mr. Geo. Dunston.
Goodman's Band.
No. 1 Overture, "Post and Prentiss,"
No. 2 Waltz....
No. 3 American Patrol
No. 4 - "A Night in Berlin, Fantasia on German Airs.

Seriously Ill.
Mrs. E. Read, the widow of the late Thomas H. Read, is seriously ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Susan Thomas, on North Franklin street. Several days ago Mrs. Read had a fall and is suffering greatly from the injuries she received at the time. She is 84 years old and it is feared that she will not recover.

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JOINT MILITARY DISCUSSION.

Gen. Rosser and Judge Rea Review the Late Civil War.

Rockford, Ill., Jan. 11.—Judge John P. Rea, of Minneapolis, past commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., and General Thomas L. Rosser, of the University of Virginia, who was a confederate commander, held a novel joint military discussion in this city Saturday, many of the important battles being reviewed as they appeared to those who fought on both sides. Colonel T. G. Lawler presided, and introduced the speakers. It was a debate in which there was no contention, both agreeing that the war was necessary, and that it ended rights, the nation being purified, and made doubly prosperous as a result of the internal strife.

General Rosser spoke first, for nearly two hours, illustrating the different battle fields and contending that it was an impossibility to drive an Anglo-Saxon army from an entrenched position if it could see the enemy coming. His severe criticism was of General McClellan, whom he characterized as a marvelous organizer, but slow to act in battle, and an officer who lost an opportunity to end the war much sooner than it did had he taken advantage of his opportunity.

Judge Rea was eloquent in his defense of the Union officers and men, paying a special tribute to General George H. Thomas, who won the first victory of the Union army, and to whom not enough credit was ever given by the government.

DEATH OF MRS. C. A. TOWNE.

She Passed Away This Morning at Her Home in This City After an Illness of Typhoid Fever.

Mrs. Mary Towne, wife of C. A. Towne, died of typhoid fever this morning at her home in the north part of the city. She has been ill for the past week but her condition was not dangerous until last night. Mrs. Towne was quite well known in this city. She formerly lived at Harristown. She leaves a husband and two children, Ralph, aged 17, and Ethel, aged 14.

The funeral service will be held at the house at 1 p. m. Wednesday. Burial at Harristown.

Here Goes Hutchin Again.

On Monday, Jan. 11, we will again begin our Great Annual Cut Price Show Sale and continue it just thirty days. This will be the greatest of all these sales; we will out do any previous sale we ever made. A \$30,000 stock, all to be placed on the chopping block and there will be the greatest chopping of prices Decatur ever saw. Nothing reserved. We are over loaded and will unload.

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Populist Governor Inaugurated.

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 11.—Governor Leedy and the Populist state officers were installed this morning. The oath of office was first administered to all the new officers except the governor and the chief justice. Retiring Governor Merrill delivered a valedictory at the close of which Governor Leedy delivered his inaugural address, after which he and Chief Justice Foster took the oath of office. This afternoon the new officers held a reception and tonight a general public reception will be held in the senate chamber.

Death of Patrick Deconcey.

Patrick Deconcey died of influenza at 10 o'clock this morning at his home, No. 1384 East Eldorado street, aged 75 years. The deceased was well known in Decatur, having lived in the city for the past 43 years. He was employed by the Wabash as a foreman for a number of years but retired from active service eleven years ago. He leaves a wife and six children, Mrs. Lewis F. Skelly, wife of ex-city clerk, and John and P. R. Skelly of Houston, Texas, and May, Kate and Alice Deconcey. The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Milton White recently shipped four car loads of cattle from his farm near Weno, which averaged 1700 pounds—an extra large bunch, as well as an unusually high average weight. Among them was one animal that weighed 2850 pounds.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

W. H. Starr is home from a trip to Cincinnati.

Leslie Kovans is confined to his home by illness.

Miss Josie Bates of Buckeye Prairie, is in the city visiting relatives.

A. M. Baldrige, who has been seriously ill of peritonitis, is convalescent.

Fred Clark, Will Gray and Jerry Nicholson visited with friends in Macon Sunday.

Miss Margaret Brooks of Springfield, is in the city to give her lecture on Desertism at the Woman's club.

The children of Mrs. E. B. Hillman of Peoria, having recovered from diphtheria, the lady has returned to her home.

John Henry Martin, representing "Pudd'n Head Wilson," at the Grand January 21st, was in the city to day.

William Leonard and Frank Towne of Harristown, were called to this city today on account of the death of Mrs. C. A. Towne.

Mrs. Judge Schock, who has been in the city visiting D. A. Maillit and family, has returned to her home in Columbus, Ohio.

Mrs. K. Harwood is at Springfield. Mr. Harwood and daughter left for the capital this afternoon. They will attend the inaugural ball.

Hon. Ed C. Curtis of Grant Park, Kan., makes county, speaker of the Illinois legislature, Editor W. K. Jewell, John D. Benedict, grand chancellor Illinois Knights of Pythias, George T. Buckingham, Roy Taylor, L. V. Chaffee, all of Danville, W. F. Temple, Riley Stallings of Fairmount, Hon. Charles A. Allen and wife of Hoopston, F. W. Booth and W. J. Athon of Marshall, took breakfast at the St. Nicholas this morning on their way to Springfield to attend the inauguration.

Lewis Morrison—"Richellieu."

Mr. Lewis Morrison is probably the best elocutionist of the present day. He has a voice that is musical, pleasing, clear and far reaching. This attribute is the one thing that can not be obliterated and admit of an actor giving a first class performance of Richellieu. Thanks to natural talent and long study and application Mr. Morrison is peculiarly fitted in this particular for the portrayal of this immortal character. Besides this he has made the part itself a life long study and it is claimed for him that he is the only one that really brings out all the finer qualities of the character. Mr. Morrison will play Richellieu next Thursday night at the Powers' Grand and all those who like what is best and most commendable in the drama will have an opportunity of witnessing this superb performance.

Della Fox on Tuesday Evening.

The sale of seats for the engagement of the Della Fox Comic Opera company is now in progress, and the indications are that the famous little comedienne will be welcomed by a large and fashionable audience Tuesday evening. She has for several years been at the head of all comic opera "soubrettes"—a much abused word, but which in the case of Miss Fox is used correctly. Miss Fox will present for the first time here her new comic opera "Flour de Lis." It will be presented with all the elaborate scenery and stage settings complete, and with the new and magnificent costumes provided for this tour. The production will be given here entire, even to the smallest detail in stage settings and properties. Miss Fox's company this season numbers over sixty people and includes such well known popular artists as Harry Macdonough, Hugh Chilvers, Frank Blair, Charles J. Campbell, Charles Dungan, Wm. Dudley and the Misses Nelly Braggins, Trilzie Friganza, Florine Murray, Nathalie Allen, Katharine Gay and Frankie Motene.

At the Woman's Club To-Night.

Miss Brooks, of Springfield, arrived in the city to-day and this evening will give a delightful lecture at the Woman's club. The members and their friends are invited to attend.

Splendid Offer to Ladies.

A nice piece of music will be given free with each copy of a January magazine.

Chodat News House.

In the report of the state fish commissioner, it is shown that during the past year 1200 fish were planted in the Macon river and 2040 in Salt Creek at Clinton.

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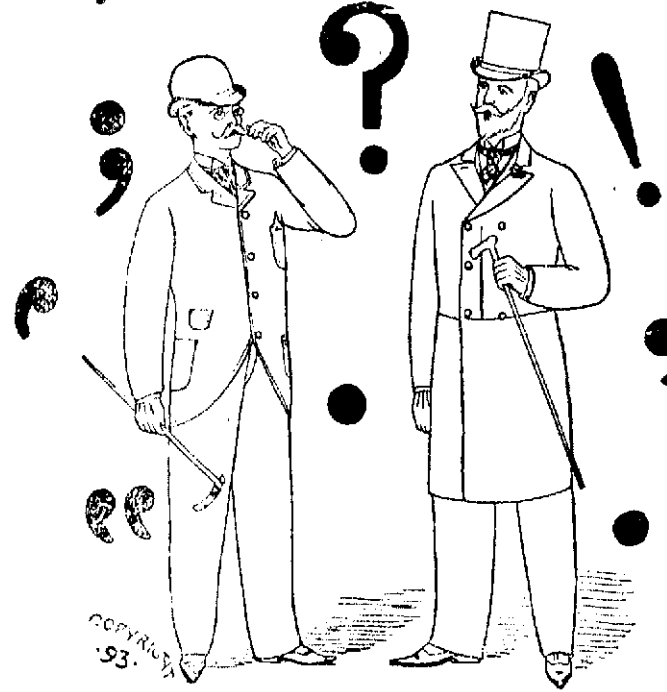
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PULLING A DOG'S TEETH.

Dentist's Experience in Removing Teeth from a Canine.

"I have never been called to pull a dog's teeth but once," volunteered a well-known dentist, reports the Washington Star. "Had I known for what purpose I was needed I would not have responded, but being on the ground I was too nery to refuse. The case was that of a dog belonging to the wife of a Michigan senator. She had several nice dogs of fancy breeds, and I noticed that one of them acted strangely. The telephone directory of that day had my name well on top in the list of dentists, and I presume that is why I was called. It is no unusual thing for dentists to be called to the houses of patients who are sick or otherwise unable to go to the dentist, and I packed up a few necessities and started. I was met at the door by the lady, who spoke of the sufferings of Madge. I took it that Madge was either a child or a favored servant, and tripped as softly as I could upstairs to the room to which I was directed. I noticed there were two or three little pug dogs in the room, but did not dream that Madge was one of them. In a few moments the lady came up and picking up the dog spoke sympathetically of Madge's sufferings. I was in for it, and in a short time had a towel tied in Madge's mouth, and the next thing Madge knew she was three teeth short. I was asked my fee, but as I had never performed such a service for money I did not know exactly what to charge. I made it three dollars and was paid. Since then when I am called by telephone I ask something about the work to be done, for, unless it is my own dog, I prefer to be excused from the work."

CAUGHT THE BOYS' FANCY.

They Thought the Pretty Girl Who Bought a Paper All Right.

A young woman stood at the corner of Halsted street and Archer avenue waiting for a downtown car. She had a refined, sweet face, her brown hair was parted over a smooth forehead and a pair of wonderfully expressive and beautiful blue eyes. Her dress was elegant, but modest, and seeing her in that locality one instantly thought of sweet charity, says the Chicago Chronicle.

Two ragged little newsboys came up to the corner and gazed at her in frank admiration. Their look was returned with one of kind interest, and the girl bought a paper from each of them. Just then her car came, and with a smile she left the corner.

"Ain't she a beauty?" asked one of the boys, while the other sang in a clear, pretty voice: "She may flirt with another, but I'm sure she loves me."

A middle-aged motherly-looking woman, who had watched the affair, asked: "Do you mean me?" as she bought a paper, she could not afford two.

"Oh, no," answered the singer, "the lady with the pretty eyes."

"Now, I'm disappointed," said the motherly woman.

"Well," called both boys, as they went on, "you're all right, too."

THE OLDEST SPORT.

Hunting and Fishing Were Means of Livelihood to Primitive Man.

Somewhere has asked which is the oldest sport and started a discussion that has already put the antiquity of games beyond the middle ages. Hunting and fishing were primitive man's chief occupations, says the New York Journal.

These, as civilization developed, were gradually got worted from being means of livelihood into pastimes. But it is impossible to tell exactly when the change took place, for it is not even yet complete, and what is sport to the squire and amateur is necessary work to the gamekeeper and professional soldier.

Nimrod, Noah's great-grandson, was a "mighty hunter before the Lord," and as he was a "mighty one in the earth" he probably hunted for pleasure. This is the oldest record of a sport.

The stag and its kind, which make the greatest demand on the skill and endurance of the hunter, would probably be the first animal pursued for pleasure. To hunt the lion was kingly sport from the earliest times.

The Egyptian monuments show that all kinds of hunting, as well as fowling, were followed for pleasure. The Olympic games were probably the oldest athletic sports and their origin is lost in antiquity. They are said to celebrate Jupiter's defeat of the Titans.

Disgraced Russian Officers.

Eleven officers of the Bielorod dragoons have been reduced to the ranks, and one lieutenant dismissed from the army for their share in a disgraceful riot at Meibujie, in Poland. Lieut. Hakounine, while drunk, grossly insulted and struck some Jewish civilians who were sitting quietly in a wine shop. After protesting for awhile they gave him a sound thrashing, whereupon he went to the barracks, got together some other officers and 150 dragoons, and set out to avenge the honor of the regiment. The wine shop and the adjacent houses were sacked and set on fire, a number of Jewish houses and shops were pillaged, and five Jews killed and thirty seriously injured. As the colonel of the regiment did not think the incident worth reporting the czar has ordered him to be placed on the retired list.

An Odd English Village.

Buckland-on-the-Moor, a secluded village of Devonshire, England, has no public house, parson, policeman or pauper. The squire owns all the land. The farm laborers live in the squire's cottages. When they fall sick the squire pays their wages as usual, and when they are too old to work any more they are continued on the pay list, and potter about, doing what they please.

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Macon county in Decatur in Macon county, in said

Macon county, on the 11th day of January, A. D. 1897,

at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for cash in hand, to

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This 5th day of January, A. D. 1897.

J. P. NICHOLSON,

Sheriff Macon County, Illinois.

Jan. 5, 1897

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss

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In the Circuit Court, Macon Co., Ill.

Edward L. Flight, John W. Walker et al.,

Plaintiffs, vs. James J. Finn, Defendant.

Do hereby certify that on the 2d day of February, A. D. 1897,

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cause at the September term, 1896, of said court, in

favor of the plaintiffs, and against the defendant, was

entered, to the effect that the said James J. Finn, master in chancery of said

court, do sell, at public sale, at north door of the Court House in the City of Decatur, Ill., on the 5th day of January, A. D. 1897,

at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution.

This 5th day of January, A. D. 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.

Shelley Bros., Solicitors.

Jan 5-45

P. D. & E. EXCURSIONS.

Sunday excursion rates to all points on the P.

D. & E. One fare round trip. Tickets good

returning day of sale.

Homeowners' excursions to principal points

northwest, west, south and southwest and south-

east on November 17, December 1 and 15.

One fare plus \$2.00 round trip; tickets good twenty-

one days. Stop-overs granted on going trip.

Winter tourists' rates now on to points south,

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First and third Tuesday of each month. Very

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Good connections at Peoria for Iowa, Ne-

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Big Four for Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus

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Jan. 5-45

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Advertisement for Party goods or less may

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cents per week, payable invariably in advance

For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Fine land near Beaumont and

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terms. Good schools, low taxes, no drought, no

bills. Profitable crops, rice, cotton, fruits,

vegetables. Enquire of ALJINSON & FLEM-

ING, I. C. City Ticket Office, Decatur, Ill.

Jan 5-45

FOR SALE—A large cannon heater in good

order, just the thing for office or business

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FOR SALE—For spot cash, \$250, you can get

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None Genuine Without "1847"
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These "1847 Rogers Bros." make is the old original brand of Silver Plated Knives, Forks and Spoons, and cost more in the market than any Rogers make. PLEASE DO NOT CONFUSE IT WITH Wm. Rogers, Rogers & Brother or any other Rogers, without the "1847 Rogers Bros." trade mark stamped upon them. There are twenty imitations, all of which use the word "Rogers" in some shape, but none but the genuine dare use "1847 Rogers Bros."

You should get our prices on

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We are showing a very fine line at
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Is second to none in the State, and we are showing Dinner Ware and Toilet Ware in a very large variety of patterns, and at prices equal to corn at 15 cents a bushel.

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Will soon confront you and remind you that your Shoes or Rubbers will need to be replaced with a new pair. You can find just what you need and at the right prices at our store.

Big Stock of CHRISTMAS SLIP-
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BUY NOW while you can get sizes.

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Smith & Calkin's Stock Up to Date Furnishings and Hats.

This is the Finest and Cleanest stock of HABERDASHERY ever in the City of Decatur, and prices from now will be cut to less than you pay for inferior goods.

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Good results from poor medicines; all adulterations are harmful. Use the best. Everything in the Drug line and of the best at

KING'S DRUG STORE,
Cor. Main and Water Sts.

SOCIETY MEETINGS.

BATHONE SISTERS—Regular meeting of the Myrtle Temple No. 2, Bathone Sisters, this (Monday) evening, at 7:30 o'clock, sharp, in the old Calumet rooms, Opera House Block, E. of Hall, institution of officers. Grand Officers will be present. A special invitation to all members of the temple and visiting members. All members urged to be present. ALMA BUTZ, Secy. M. E. C. ENMA R. WEIGAND, M. of R. & C.

LOCAL NEWS.

Denz, Tallor, 117 North Water St.
Burke's White Pine Balsam cures coughs. Grand clonatory treat at the Baptist church Tuesday night.

You pay a little more for Sleeth's portraits but—
Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Jacksonville has expended \$30,000 on artesian wells.

Headache cured in fifteen minutes with Irwin's harmless powders.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22-dtf

Smoke the famous Lada, a fine 10 cent, made by John Weigand. Mch 25 tf.

Fresh lobsters, red snappers, black bass, yellow perch, at Pearl Oyster Fish Co. Tel. 244. 7-dtf

Sleeth is the only photographer in the city who guarantees satisfaction.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made, Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.

Leonard Assembly dance to-night at Guards' Armory. Good music—new dances.

The attendance at the Westminster chapel Sabbath school on Sunday in the history of this most popular school. An order has been placed for more chairs to accommodate the children.

To accommodate all who desire to see Governor Tanner inaugurated the Wabash railroad will on Monday, Jan. 11, run a special train to Springfield, leaving at 7:30 a. m. Only one fare for the round trip. In addition to this tickets at above low rates will be sold for all regular trains of Jan. 9, 10 and 11, good returning till Jan. 12. 4-dtf

Ladies' and Children's made-up dresses, capes and cloaks nicely dyed, cleaned and pressed. Fine dry cleaning a specialty. Ladies' cloaks and capes re-lined and repaired. Plush and velvet cloaks and capes cleaned and steamed at Miller's New Steam Dye House and Dry Cleaning Works, 145 North Main street.

To Rent—Cheap, to a family without children, a house of four rooms, cellar, well, cistern and city water. Apply on premises, 705 North Union street. 22-dtf

Splendid Offer to Ladies.
A nice piece of music will be given free with each copy of a January magazine. Chodot News House.

Marriage Licenses.
William A. Patrick, Decatur, 18.
Louie R. Cundy, Decatur, 18.
Frank Jones, Sangamon, 18.
Emma Becker, Sangamon, 17.
W. C. Mallory, Decatur, 25.
Ida M. Hill, Nanticoke, 21.

The Ideal Panacea.
James L. Francis, Alderman, Chicago, says: "I regard Dr. King's New Discovery as an ideal Panacea for Coughs, Colds and Lung Complaints, having used it in my family for the last five years, to the exclusion of physician's prescriptions or other preparations."

Rev. John Burgess, Keokuk, Iowa, writes: "I have been a Minister of the Methodist Episcopal church for 50 years or more, and have never found anything so beneficial, or that gave me such speedy relief as Dr. King's New Discovery." Try this Ideal Cough Remedy now. At West's drug store.

The Ford county supervisors are about to purchase seventy-six acres a mile north of Gibson of J. C. Steers for a poor farm, at a price of \$75 an acre.



ACCIDENTAL SHOT.

Mrs. Isom Waller, a Colored Woman, Meets with a Peculiar Accident.

BULLET CAME THROUGH THE WINDOW

And Lodged in the Woman's Head—
Theodore Fletcher Was Shoot-
ing a Pigeon and Miss-
ed His Aim.

Mrs. Isom Waller, a colored woman, is lying at her home on West Charles street with a bullet in her head. She was accidentally shot by Theodore Fletcher while visiting at the home of a friend.

Mrs. Waller was at the residence of the Phoenix family on the north side of Charles street. Fletcher was in the back yard of his own house which faces on the next street south. A pigeon had been turned loose and he attempted to shoot the bird with a .23-calibre rifle. He missed his aim and the bullet went through the window where Mrs. Waller was sitting and entered her head at the left temple. It was at first supposed that the woman was killed. Dr. N. D. Myers and Dr. Everett J. Brown were called and in making an examination it was found that she was not dangerously wounded. The physicians think that the bullet is lodged in the head just below the brain and if it has not touched a vital part the woman will probably soon recover. They will perform an operation tomorrow to remove the bullet. It was not thought well to probe for the bullet last night as Mrs. Waller was suffering greatly from the shock of the accident.

The police say that Fletcher could be prosecuted for his carelessness. There is a city ordinance prohibiting the use of fire arms within the city limits and also a state law which prohibits shooting in a city on Sunday.

CHURCH SERVICES.

Sermon by Rev. D. R. McGregor at the Baptist Church—Revival at the Presbyterian Church Still in Progress.

There were unusually large congregations at both the morning and evening services at the First Baptist church Sunday night, the pastor Rev. McGregor gave a sermon frontispiece entitled "The Praying Trusts." He spoke substantially as follows:

I wish we could spell one word in this frontispiece differently. Could we syllabize and say p-r-a-y-i-n-g, instead of p-r-e-y-i-n-g, then those composing the trusts would stand nearer the head of the class in honesty, instead of at the foot in rationality.

What is a "praying trust?" An association in which is included manufacturers of a similar product, for the purpose of absolutely controlling its sale at exorbitant prices. It is a plan by which the strong are merciless go forth to devour the weak of its position can be seen from the fact, that it was selling to foreign merchants, at less than half the price to our home purchasers.

Do trusts exist? Prof. Gly, in his "Political Economy," says—"As corporations are combinations of individuals, we now have trusts, which are combinations of corporations, and a great part of many industries is now carried on under one general management."

As further demonstration, I give the substance of an editorial in the columns of a secular paper. It is to the effect, that "The National Cut and Wire Nail Manufacturers' association was one of the most exacting combinations that has afflicted our country." Nails under its rules rose 300 per cent higher than they were before the trust was formed, the 'base price' was trebled. The unfairness trusts say to millions, as did the nail people, our goods are a necessity. We can sell them for less than half of what we charge and make a fair profit. But as you must have them, we are demanding more than double what they are worth, simply because we have the power to do so. This is an aggravated condition of Mammon worship, and gives to church and state a serious problem. How solve it? How, forever, destroy the assumption that might makes right?

Are trusts any better than safe blowers or train robbers? The latter take desperate chances. They go in for a steal, but sheriff's posse, detectives and bloodhounds are liable to be on their track. Woe unto them, because they have other people's property. But trusts have millions of the people's money without giving an equivalent. They are easy, fat and sleek. The baying of no bloodhound is heard in their imagination.

What shall we do with them? What will the traveller do with the highway man who gets the "drop" on him? He will meekly hold up his hands, and quietly go about his business, minus his pocket book and other valuables. There seems no other way for us at present with many of the trusts. We cannot expect relief from congress and legislatures, till the majority of their material is radically different from that of which trusts are composed. I say this, despite the fact that such men as Governor Matthews, speak out against them and advise the

legislature of Indiana to frame a law carrying with it heavy penalties, in order to prohibit their formation and operation within the bounds of that state.

I see no prospect for a better condition of affairs, till the whole industrial and social world is saturated with the gospel of Christ. Then the golden rule instead of the gold calf will rule supreme. If not sooner, then that condition will be operative when Christ comes to reign personally. His appearance and reign will be the signal under which everything that preys and destroys, whether in the form of capital, labor or legislation will go down and the principles of equity shall rule supreme.

Evangelical Services.
Rev. W. H. Penhallegon has begun the second week of his evangelical services at the First Presbyterian church under favorable circumstances. The attendance has been increasing at each meeting and a great deal of interest has been manifested. The church was crowded at both services yesterday and many remained to the after meetings which were held. This evening a large chorus choir of children will render music.

At the Tabernacle.
The Church street Christian church enjoyed two of the largest and most appreciative audiences in the history of the tabernacle Sunday. The great building was well filled in the morning, and literally packed at night. There were twenty-one additions to the church during the day, nineteen of the number by conversion. It was Prof. Calvin's first appearance before a Decatur audience, and he acquitted himself with great credit. At the close of the morning service the professor and his wife received an ovation, hundreds pressing forward to welcome them. At night Mrs. Calvin sang a solo entitled "Silence," by Rodney. She possesses a rich, well trained contralto voice, and sang with rare expression. Rev. Hall's pulpit paragraphs dealt with questions relating to city welfare, personal morals, and the like, and as usual with him were very pronounced in favor of a cleaner life. There were fourteen baptisms at the close of the service. A touching incident was the conversion of a deaf and dumb lady, who made the good confession demanded by the church in writing. Rev. Hall will preach one more Sunday before his departure on his third lecture trip to California.

GAMBLERS RAIDED.

The Davis Den Visited by Five Police Officers.

Sunday night the police made a successful raid on the Abe Davis gambling room for colored players on the second floor of a building on the south side of Central park. Officers Cross, Knepp, Kasehinski, Deuty and Stober were in the push, and they captured the whole thing. They laid their plans skillfully and when everything was in readiness for action they made the rush, nabbing the proprietor and seven inmates. The parties arrested were Abe Davis, Clate Holland, Bill Irwin, Tip Carter, George Davis, John Bryant, John Carter and Joe Danahy. All were taken to police headquarters in the patrol wagon. Three of the party were released on each giving bond for \$25. This forenoon friends of the prisoners were hustling around to get them out of jail. The new grand jury began grinding this afternoon. No doubt all of the parties, together with other gamblers arrested during the fall will be indicted. All will have to settle or go to jail.

MALLORY—HILL.

Wedding Sunday Afternoon at the Methodist Church Study.

W. C. Mallory, son of Col. and Mrs. R. V. Mallory, and Miss Ida M. Hill, of Nanticoke, were united in marriage Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. D. F. Howe, at the study of the minister at the First M. E. church. Among the friends present were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Whitmer. The couple will make their home on West Main street. Mr. Mallory is an engineer and electrician and is in the employ of the Herald-Dispatch Printing Co.

A Surprise Party.

Saturday evening a surprise party was given to Mrs. W. T. Jacobs at her home, No. 608 South Webster street. The affair was arranged by the members of the Bay Leaf Camp, No. 59, R. N. of A., and was in honor of the thirty-eighth birthday of Mrs. Jacobs. A handsome banquet lamp was presented to the hostess by the organization. Music was rendered and an oyster supper was served. The company included the following: Messrs. Joseph Weigand, L. Sullivan, J. W. Miller, Charles Price, Emanuel Shively, Samuel Brewster, G. A. Nickle, Bowles Knapp, J. J. Garver, Hanna and their wives; Medaunes J. C. Annemann, Perry William Lehman, and Samuel Lang; Misses Lotie, Grace and Roy Price, Hazel Knapp and Opal Miller and Murray Knapp and Roy Bendure.

Quinine.

Special Prices on Quinine at West's Drug Store:
2-grain Pills, per 100..... 25c
One Ounce, Powers & Weightman's, 50c

CIRCUIT COURT.

Opening of the January Term This Afternoon.

GRAND JURY—G. W. KRAFT FOREMAN

The Joe Myers Murder Case the First Thing on the Docket—
Court Bailiffs.

The January term of the Macon county circuit court began this afternoon with the court room filled with people. Judge Vail on the bench.

Grand Jury.

The following are members of the grand jury.

C. L. Hadley, Austin.
J. L. Stanford, Blue Mound.
Samuel Sloan, Decatur.
J. O. Johnson, Decatur.
Fleming Gray, Decatur.
George W. Kraft, Decatur.
Frank Benton, Friends Creek.
Henry Winsup, Harriestown.
Samuel Stewart, Hickory Point.
George Culp, Illinois.
Ed Chapman, Long Creek.
S. C. Davis, Long Creek.
J. S. McGraw, Maroa.
Charles Huff, Maroa.
A. H. Hill, Millam.
Ed Hogan, Mt. Zion.
George E. Lindsey, Niantico.
David Strohm, Oakley.
W. L. Bunkston, Pleasant View.
E. T. Willoughby, Macon.
J. A. Combs, Macon.
Fred D. Crickman, Wheatland.
Thomas Pensinger, Whitmore.

George W. Kraft, Decatur, was chosen foreman of the jury and Deputy Rob Williams administered to him the oath of office. Judge Vail gave the customary instructions to the jury and then the inquisitorial body retired in charge of Bailiff Stabler. A. W. Hendricks and T. H. Richardson will serve as bailiffs for the grand jury.

In the circuit court room L. H. Martin and Frank Taylor will serve as court bailiffs.

The members of the petit jury answered to their names and court was then properly organized.

Murder Case.

The Joseph Myers murder case is the first trial to receive attention. It will be the second time the life of Myers will be in jeopardy for the alleged murder of August Haackman, whose badly decomposed body was found under a log east of Decatur three miles last April. At the first trial the jury disagreed as to the guilt of Myers. The prosecution think they will be able to get a verdict of guilty this time. In the prosecution State's Attorney Mills will be assisted by Attorneys Fitzgerald and Wilson. The defense for the defendant are Attorneys Redmon and Nelson & Whitely.

All of the witnesses who testified at the first trial are in attendance and will be heard again.

If there is anything new to offer by the People it will come as a surprise. All the prosecution will say is that they have a strong case.

Complimentary.

Beatrice (Neh.) Express, Jan. 7: In the departure of Prof. M. S. Calvin and wife and daughter from this city for Decatur, Ill., where they will make their home for the future, Beatrice loses a most estimable family. Prof. Calvin was for several years superintendent of musical instruction of the city schools and rendered very efficient and valuable service. The Calvin family has for many years been prominently identified with the musical interests of Decatur and are talented musicians in all that the term implies. The best wishes of every citizen of Decatur will follow the Calvins to their new home and The Express joins in commending them as most excellent people, worthy of every confidence, and congratulates Decatur in acquiring so valuable and talented a contribution to its population.

Sales of Real Estate.

Arthur F. Evans to D. E. Brooks, a 40-foot lot in the southeast corner of block 11 in Western addition to Decatur. \$7500.

Charles W. Henning to G. A. Ahrens, lots 1 and 4 in 15, A Map, McHenry & Co.'s addition to Decatur; lot 10 in block 3 in Wise's subdivision; part of lot 3 in Gault's second addition to Decatur, \$1.

Martin V. Weigal to S. R. Weigal, lots 3 and 4 in block 4 in Forsyth, \$500.

W. G. Price to W. J. Jones, lot 8 in block 11, Wood's Walnut Grove addition, \$800.

To Stop a Cold in 30 Minutes.
Take Contra-Cold Tablets, guaranteed or money refunded by all druggists, 50c.

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The Conference Assembly
Indianapolis to Discuss
Government Money.

A MEETING OF GREAT IM

Temporary Chairman Stan-
dard Addresses the Conv-
regards Present System
cure—Wants a Safer Sy-

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 12.—
etary convention which began
afternoon had its inception in
November when an invitation
to the boards of trade of the
to convene here December first
biennial conference to consider
and situation. That confer-
was advisable to call a confer-
representatives from the com-
of the cities of the Un-
They met today to consider
improvement of the national
system.

The convention was called
at 2 o'clock this afternoon, ex-
C. O. Standard of Missouri, was
provisional chairman, and delivered
on taking the chair. A notice
of the delegates' registered is
of men from the west. The
a larger proportion of delegates
east and central west furnish
delegations.

Following is the address of

Speech of chairman Stan-
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by this call to preside over the
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in December at the instance
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was called to meet here, consid-
representatives of commercial
of some of the central western
that a conference was compos-
sible business men.

After a thorough and rat-
hensive discussion of matters
substantiation, it was resolved
commercial organizations of
States to send delegates to a
held in this city today,
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taining to the financial policy
movement. Pursuant to this
have here assembled, and I
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men matters of so great impor-
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I may mention—to my mind
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to last from one year to another
one political administration
and to be taken, as far as pos-
sible, into the realm of politics.

Confidence is the founda-
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